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August 14, 2006

Ref: 2017-20950

Honorable James H. Welsh Commissioner of Conservation Post Office Box 94275 Baton Rouge, LA 70804-4275

Re:

Hearing Application 3500' Zone, Reservoir A LAKE WASHINGTON FIELD

Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana

Applicant: Swift Energy Operating, LLC

Dear Mr. Commissioner:

In accordance with the Rules of Procedure for Conducting Hearings Before the Commissioner of Conservation of the State of Louisiana, application is hereby made on behalf of **Swift Energy Operating**, **LLC** for the calling of a public hearing, after legal notice, to consider evidence relative to the issuance of an order pertaining to the following matters relating to the 3500' Zone, Reservoir A, in the Lake Washington Field, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana.

- To grant an exception to the spacing provisions of Statewide Order No. 29-E and to create a single drilling and production unit of approximately 11 acres for the 3500' Zone, Reservoir A, SUB designated as the 3500' RA SUB, Lake Washington Field, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana, all as shown more particularly on the attached plat;
- To establish rules and regulations governing the exploration for and production of oil and gas from the said unit;
- To designate a unit well and unit operator for the unit created herein;
- 4. To force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within the unit so created, with each tract sharing in unit production on a surface acreage basis of participation;
- 5. To consider such other matters relating to the subject reservoirs as may be appropriate and justified by the evidence presented at the public hearing.

The 3500' Zone, Reservoir A in Lake Washington Field, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana was previously defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 149-MMM, effective May 25, 2004.

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In accordance with the Rules of Procedure for Conducting Hearings Before the Commissioner of Conservation of the State of Louisiana, the Commissioner of Conservation, the District Manager of the Lafayette District of the Office of Conservation and all interested owners, represented parties and interested parties known to the applicant after a reasonable search were notified in writing in the preapplication notice dated August 3, 2006 that a conference to discuss the proposed application was tentatively scheduled for 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, August 24, 2006. It was stated at that time that this conference would be held only if a request to confer were received by the undersigned within ten (10) calendar days after the date of the pre-application notice. No requests to confer were received either in writing or by telephone and, in accordance with the Rules of Procedure, the tentatively scheduled conference WILL NOT BE HELD.

Attached hereto and made a part hereof is a plat outlining the 3500' RA SUB, Lake Washington Field, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana, and a list of the names and addresses of the interested owners, represented parties and interested parties to whom this notice is being sent. It is hereby certified that a reasonable effort was made to ascertain the names and addresses of all interested owners, represented parties and interested parties.

Any pertinent data relating to the proposed unit can be obtained, AT THE COST OF THE REQUESTING PARTY, from Mr. Remy Williams of W. H. Robbins & Associates, LLC, 302 La Rue France, Suite 100, Lafayette, Louisiana 70508 (337) 232-5004.

Finally, there is enclosed herewith our check on behalf of the applicant in the amount of \$755.00, made payable to the Office of Conservation, representing the required hearing application fee.

Very truly yours,

B. J. Duplantis

BJD/ht Attachments

cc: Mr. Richard D. Hudson

District Manager, Office of Conservation

All Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties

